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BAULDRY (M.).

Manuale sacrarum caeremoniarum, Juxta Ritum S. Romanae Ecclesiae. In quo omnia quae ad usum omnium Cathedralium, Collegiatarum Parochialium, Secularium, & Regularium Ecclesiarum pertinent, accuratissimè tractantur. Authore Michaelae Bauldry, Quondam Latiniacensis, &c.

4to. P. Balleonius, Venice, 1673.

* * * The Dedication copy to JERONIMO BUONCOMPAGNO, Cardinal Archbishop of Bologna. *The present beautiful copy was specially bound for presentation by the Author to him.* It is in Venetian red morocco, and covered with gold tooling. An outer framework surrounds each cover, formed by three rolls of conventional design. Within this is another frame also formed by three ornamental rolls, the centre one with a series of formal flowers. The enclosed panel is filled at top and bottom with a curious decoration of curved and formal tools, and in the centre, on a shield with a decorated frame, are the arms of the Cardinal, "Gules, a dragon issuant from the base, winged or." Above is the Cardinal's hat with the six tasselled strings depending from it on either side of the shield. The back is fully gilt. French influence can easily be traced in the decoration of this binding—e.g., in the use of finely engraved rolls and small tools on the side in place of the ordinary broad masses and heavier gilding of Italian work. Again, the pointillé tools used on the back are directly inspired by the bindings of Le Gascon, and are very rarely found in Italian work.

£60

BEMBO (PIERRE).

LE PROSE (rivedute da Varchi).

4to. Venice, 1525.

This most precious copy of the great Italian poet Bembo's work is annotated throughout by Tasso.

The present volume was in Tasso's possession whilst he was imprisoned in the Hospital of Saint Anne between the years 1579 and 1586, and literally every leaf is enriched with his manuscript notes and annotations.

This splendid manuscript relic of the great Italian poet passed from the possession of Professor Rossini (Tasso's biographer) to George Hibbert, from Hibbert's world-famous library into that of Sir William Tite, and finally to the late Mrs. Singleton (better known under her *nom de plume* of "Violet Fane").

The volume is in its old binding just as Tasso handled it, but preserved in a morocco case

This important Tasso manuscript has *never been published*.

£200

BERTHAULT (M).

Passages extraite du Nouveau Testament.

12mo. *Manuscript.* 1693.

* * A lovely little manuscript written by Berthault, the pupil of du Jarry.

The very beautiful Boyet binding is of red morocco in the "Jansenist" style. The sides are quite plain, with a single blind tooled line running round the edge. The back, except for the lettering, is also quite plain, with a single blind line running round the panel and across the bands. The *doublures* are also of red morocco, edged with a gilt border, and made with a scallop and fleur-de-lys ornament. The end-leaves are of plain white paper, and the edges of the leaves are marbled under the gold.

This exquisitely written little Manuscript consists of selected verses from the various books of the New Testament, with a short paraphrase or explanation, of each. The verses are written in italic, and the comments in roman letter, each page has twenty-one lines enclosed in a double-line border. The beginnings of the Books are decorated with head-pieces drawn in the manner of type ornament, and have elegantly designed tail-pieces. The present Manuscript could not be surpassed for beauty and regularity in penmanship even by du Jarry. The Scribe has added his name and address, neatly written in the tail-piece in the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews, "*Berthault, Rue aux Ours à la belle Sentence,*" and the date 1693.

This volume was in the Girardot sale of 1879, and later in the Collection of Baron Jerome Pichon. It contains a red and gold book-plate with the verse from the Psalms "*Memor fui dierum antiquorum.*"

£180

BIBLIA LATINA.

Cum summariis et concordantiis Menardi Monachi. *Ulmis; per Johannem Xainer.*

Folio. *Blue morocco.* 29 January 1480.

* * This superb Bible, printed at the first press established at Ulm, is the only Edition of the Holy Scriptures which was printed at Ulm during the fifteenth century. It is also the Editio Princeps of the Latin Bible with *Summaries*.

The *Summaries* are much more at length in the New than in the Old Testament, but in no case do they appear to have been exactly followed in subsequent Editions. In the 13th and 14th chapters of Maccabees they appear to have been accidentally omitted—an error not discovered until the sheet was worked off and the type distributed, for they were subsequently added at the bottom of the page, which is thus made larger than any other in the volume.

This Edition is EXCESSIVELY RARE. It is noticed by Maittaire, Masch, and Bauer, but it is not generally known to Bibliographers. Indeed, Lord Spencer could never obtain a copy for his matchless collection of Latin Bibles. There was no copy in the Great Caxton Exhibition of Bibles (1878), neither was it in Lord Crawford's nor Lord Ashburnham's Bible collections. It is printed in the bold type of John Zainer, and forms a magnificent

folio, the *Summaries* being printed in a larger character than the body of the Bible. The initial capitals to each Book and Prologue are ornamented with elegant wood engravings in the Lombardic style, and those of the Chapters inserted. The volume is without printed signatures or numerals.

The printer, John Zainer, established the first press at Ulm.

£250

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BIBLIA SACRA LATINA.

Cum prologis S. Hieronimi et interpretationibus nominum Hebraicorum. *An Illuminated French Manuscript on Vellum.*

4to. *Old green morocco. Saec XII.*

* * * This very beautiful Twelfth-century manuscript of the Bible is written on 544 leaves of the very finest vellum, with two columns to the page and fifty lines to the column. The ornamental letters throughout are in red and blue, with light pen-drawn ornaments extending up and down the margin of the opposite colour to the letter itself, while at the commencement of each book is a larger and more elaborate initial, worked in both colours, with curved ornament inside and more elaborate marginal ornament, also in two colours. The book begins with the Preface of St. Jerome, the Author of this revision, and before each book is a short Prologue. The text of the Bible ends on leaf 500, and it is followed immediately by the "Interpretationes Biblie," which concludes on the recto of leaf 540. At the foot of the last column are nine lines of Invocations to the Blessed Virgin, each line divided into two parts ending with a similar rhyme. The eight pages following contain the Kalendar, and the last page a table for finding Easter.

This manuscript is French work of the end of the twelfth century.

£250

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BIBLE (THE).

2 volumes. 8vo. *London, Company of Stationers, 1648.*

* * * In a rich and beautiful binding ascribed to SAMUEL BROWNE. The binding of the present volumes is of black morocco, having a panel on either side formed by a plain two-line fillet. The centre and corner-pieces occupy almost all the inside space, and the ornament is formed by delicate dotted spiral tools enclosing roses. The exterior of the panel has a rich border of formal tooling with daisies. At the edge of the boards is another richly-tooled border. The back is fully gilt in compartments. During the reign of Charles I the French influence on English bookbinding became very marked, both in the tools themselves and in the method of applying them. The favourite style of earlier reigns had been a panel with solid centre and corner-pieces, and while the idea of large centre and corner-pieces was at first retained they were built up of small delicate tools.

A note at the commencement ascribes the binding to Samuel Browne, a well-known Royalist printer and bookseller, who printed many editions of the Royalist publication *Eikon Basilike*.

This Bible is fairly well printed in a very small type, and is more free from misprints than is usual in English Bibles of the period. *It appears to be an extremely rare Edition; at*

any rate, it is not mentioned by Lowndes, Lea Wilson, Cotton, and other authorities, nor was there a copy in the Caxton (Bible) Exhibition.

The volumes have been extra-illustrated with a large number of copper-plate engravings taken from various series of Biblical illustrations.

£100

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BIBLE (THE).

8vo. *London, John Bill and Christopher Barker, 1676-79.*

* * * The MOSAIC binding is a very fine example of Stuart work of an unusual class. It is most probably by NOTT. The sides are completely covered with separate tools combined into a geometrical design, and the very rich appearance is enhanced by a skilful use of colour. The binding itself is of dark red or claret morocco, but the hollow ornaments have been filled with black and a yellowish grey. The tool most frequently used is crescent-shaped with curved-in ends, and is very typical of this binder and his School. There are also several tulip tools, the open flower or large buds. The panels of the back are richly tooled with formal ornament, with black or silver spaces.

Pepys wrote, under 12 March 1669: "He carried me to Nott's, the famous bookbinder that bound for my Lord Chancellor's Library: and here I did take occasion for curiosity to bespeak a book to be bound, only that I might have one of his binding." Now, in the *Pepys* Collection, usually in plain bindings, there are one or two in the style of the present volume.

£80

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BIBLE (THE).

2 vols. Small folio. *London [Amsterdam], Stephen Swart, 1679-83.*

* * * Two noble volumes in a gorgeous binding by MAGNUS OF AMSTERDAM.

The binding of these volumes is a magnificent example of elaborate decoration. The material is black morocco, and the main design is a centre panel enclosed in a rich frame. This frame consists of a broad band filled with hand-tooling between two narrower bands worked from a roll, the outer one being edged with an ornamental fillet. The frame of the inner panel is left nearly plain, forming a black band to heighten the effect of the interior, which is entirely covered with a mass of gold tooling. This is divided into two halves, the decoration of each being exactly similar, and composed of a number of tools of the "draw handle" variety combined with scrolls of dotted foliage and formal tools. The panels of the back are fully gilt. Many of the tools used, though finely engraved, are larger than those usually employed in this class of work. The rolls used on the binding, in particular the delicate one of birds among vine branches, are unmistakable and clearly show that the volumes were bound by Holland's most celebrated binder, Magnus of Amsterdam, who was selected by the Elzevirs to bind their choicest presentation copies, and who is said to have bound also for Louis XIV. Examples of his work, like the present, are rarely met with, especially in this country. One very fine specimen on a copy of *Josephus* was exhibited at the Burlington Club exhibition in 1891, and reproduced in the illustrated catalogue.

£250

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BIBLE (THE).

2 vols. 18mo. London and Edinburgh, 1698-9.

* * These two little volumes, *in wonderful preservation*, are remarkably fine examples of Scottish binding of the late Stuart period. In the centre of the sides is the usual circular wheel-like ornament, with radiating lines, and a double-lined scalloped edge, the space between the lines powdered with gold dots. Above and below separate tools are built up in the form of a square, from whose edges the large corner-pieces spring and above which is a triangular ornament. Other tools fill up vacant spaces so that the whole side is covered with tooling. The backs are fully gilt. *The striking point about these Scottish bindings is the excellence and beautiful colour of the dark green morocco and the brightness of the gilding.* It is curious also that the very marked style never spread out of Scotland and in no way affected English work.

£50

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BIBLE (THE).

Engraved frontispiece. 2 vols. Folio. Oxford, John Baskett, 1717.

* * The present copy is *in a most magnificent late Stuart binding* of blue morocco superbly decorated. Round the edges of the sides runs a deep border built up from separate tools. Within is a double-framed panel, the outer frame made by an ornamental roll, the inner by a deeper roll with a pattern of flowers and leaves. From the centre of the four sides of the outer frame extend triangular masses of gilding, made up from a number of small curved tools, and from the bases of these triangles run branches of flowers, ending in tulips, which fill the space between the outer frame and the border. Similar triangular masses of ornament occur at top and bottom of the inner frame, extending inwards. The inner and outer frames are joined at the angles by diagonal lines in large fleurons at the corners of the outer frame. The panels of the back are filled with rich gilding made with small tools. In the centre of each cover is a coat of arms within an elaborate framework. The coat, "Gules, two chevrons between as many mullets in chief and a rose in base argent, seeded or, barbed vert," is that of the Devonshire family of Sweete.

The illustrations to these volumes, the plates and initials, are very sumptuous. Among the artists employed were Sir James Thornhill, Louis Laguerre, and Louis Cheron, and amongst the engravers Claude du Bosc, Louis du Guernier, and the well-known Michiel van der Gucht.

This edition of the Bible, one of the most magnificent ever issued, has acquired for itself the popular name of "The Vinegar Bible," on account of the misprint in the headline of Luke xx. This was only one of a very large number of misprints, which gained it another nick-name, the "Baskett full of Errors."

THE MOST MAGNIFICENT BINDING OF THIS PERIOD KNOWN TO US.

£200

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BOETHIUS.

SCOTORUM HISTORIAE A PRIMA GENTIS ORIGINE, cum Aliarum et Rerum et Gentium Illustratione non vulgari, Libri XIX. . . . Duo postremi huius Historiae libri nunc primùm emittuntur in lucem. Accessit & huic editioni eiusdem Scotorum Historiae continuatio, per Joannem Ferrerium Pedemontanum, recens & ipsa scripta & edita.

Small folio. *F. Le Preux, Lausanne, for Jacques du Puys, Paris, 1575.*

* * Bound, circa 1670, for the COUNT DE BRIENNE.

This copy is in a French binding of very fine red morocco. The sides are left quite plain except for a frame of a triple gilt line round the extreme edge. The panels of the back are fully gilt and the edges are marbled under the gold. In the centre of each cover is the handsome armorial book-stamp of Louis Henri, Count Lomenie de Brienne. On a circular shield are the arms—Quarterly 1 and 4. Or, two oxen gules, horned, collared, belled and hooped azure (Béon); 2 and 3 Argent, a lion gules, langued azure, armed and crowned or, the tail knotted, forked and crossed in saltire (Luxembourg); On an inescutcheon, or, a tree vert over a roundle gules, on a chief azure three lozenges argent (Lomenie).

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BONAPARTE (CHARLES-MARIE). *Father of Napoleon I.*

THE ORIGINAL HOLOGRAPH MANUSCRIPT of a philosophical, or metaphysical, treatise, with diagrams. 36 pages, 4to. SIGNED ON THE TITLE, "CAROLUS BONAPARTE," and dated 8 May, 1764. *Bound in contemporary straight-grained green morocco extra.*

* * This MANUSCRIPT IS POSSIBLY UNIQUE. It is by far the rarest of the Bonaparte family autographs.

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BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

Engraved frontispiece and portraits of William and Mary.

Small folio. *London, John Bill, T. Newcomb, H. Hills, 1680.*

* * This copy was bound, probably by CHURCHILL AND CASTLE, for the Royal Chapel of WILLIAM AND MARY, is in red morocco, and the sides are ornamented with a double panel. The frame of the outer is formed by a three-line gilt fillet, and from the top and

bottom and the centre of either side extends a triangular mass of ornament, outlined with the curved-end crescent tool and filled with spirals of conventional foliage and flowers. The inner panel is formed by a double-line fillet edged with a floral roll. Diagonal lines at the corners join the frames of the two panels. At the corners of the outer panel is a small ornament surmounted by the crowned monogram of WILLIAM AND MARY. The panels of the back are fully gilt and contain a smaller crowned monogram. *Inserted at the beginning is an interesting broadside proclamation dated May 1702, and printed by the Royal Printer, Charles Bill, ordering an alteration in the prayers for the Royal Family, "after these words Catherine, Queen Dowager, insert these words the Princess Sophia." This broadside is not in Lord Crawford's Catalogue.*

£63

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BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

Small folio. *Oxford, 1701.** * GEORGE I'S PRAYER BOOK. Bound *circa 1714.*

The binding of this volume is a beautiful specimen of late Stuart or early Georgian work in bluish-green morocco. The main design is a double panel, the inner formed by a roll tool, the outer by a fillet, the two being joined at the corners. In the centre of the four sides of the outer panel a large triangular device of gilt ornament is built up from small tools, and at each corner is the Royal monogram and Crown. In addition to this, the background has been elaborately decorated with blind tooling, sprays of foliage, rosettes, and formal rolls, which heightens the effect of the gold and gives the whole side a very rich appearance. The panels of the back are gilt and contain the Royal monogram and Crown. In the centre of each cover is stamped the Royal Arms within the Garter and with supporters, crest, and motto. Hitherto the fourth quarter of the arms had been the same as the first, but George substituted for it his own arms, Brunswick impaling Lunenburg, with Saxony in the base point, and over all an escutcheon charged with the crown of Charlemagne.

£80

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BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

4to. *M. Ritchie for J. Good and E. Harding, London, 1794.*

* * This Edition of the Prayer Book *was dedicated to Queen Charlotte, and the present most interesting copy is the one which belonged not only to her, but also to her children, the Princess Sophia and the Duke of Sussex.* It is bound in dark blue straight-grained morocco,

and round the edge of the sides runs a four-line gilt fillet. Within is a panel frame made with a single dotted line with semi-circular inlets. The back has double bands with gilt tooling, but the panels are left plain. The inside boards are framed in morocco with gilt lines, and are lined with marbled paper.

On the fly-leaf is the following manuscript note: "This Prayer Book having belonged to my beloved Mother and falling to my Share, I offer it to my dearest Brother Augustus knowing the value He will set upon it for the sakes of this beloved Parent and his unceasing kindness to myself, Sophy."

Throughout the Kalendar of this Prayer Book the Duke has made *a very large number* of entries regarding the births, deaths, burials, and marriages of his Royal relations and some of his friends. Some of the entries about his friends are very interesting. He notes the birthdays of John Jervis, Earl of St. Vincent, Dr. Samuel Parr, and Charles James Fox. To the date 8 Feb. 1828 he notes "a reconciliation with George IV." One entry is curious: "Old Tom Scott died 1816 aged 94." Who this man was, or why he was a friend of the Duke is not clear. He is entered in the obituary of the Gentlemen's Magazine, "Oct. 8, in Grafton Street in his 94th year, Thomas Scott, Esq., of Shepperton, Middlesex," but nothing further is mentioned about him.

£84

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BOSSUET.

A magnificent Collection of 22 HOLOGRAPH LETTERS (nearly all of which are signed in full) written between the years 1670 and 1699.

*** These Letters are addressed to the Abbé Bossuet (his nephew), Madame d'Albert de Luynes, M. de Chateauneuf, and others. They are believed to be the most important of Bossuet's letters which have occurred for sale. One of them, which is practically a Manuscript, covers 12 pages 4to.

The Letters are relative to his various Publications and to his famous and vigorous controversy with Fénelon on the subject of *Quietisme*.

The Collection also comprises an Holograph Manuscript of Bossuet's consisting of notes (covering 9 pages 4to) for his *Discours sur l'Histoire Universelle* and the Holograph Manuscript of the Dauphin's (son of Louis XIV) Historical Studies, with extensive corrections in Bossuet's hand.

In addition, there are important Holograph letters to Bossuet from his nephew (l'Abbé Bossuet) relative to the controversy with Fénelon, from Cardinal de Fleury, etc.

The whole is inlaid to a uniform size and bound in a folio volume, red morocco.

A full descriptive Catalogue accompanies the Collection.

(For Fénelon's letters relative to his controversy with Bossuet on *Quietisme* see post.)

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BOSSUET.

A Collection of FIRST EDITIONS as follows:—

Oraison Funèbre de Henriette Anne d'Angleterre	First Edition	1670
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Discours sur l'Histoire Universelle	1681
Sermon Presché (Assemblée du Clergé)	1682
Discours sur l'Histoire Universelle	..	..	..	Second Edition	1682
. Contains additional matter which was subsequently suppressed.					
Conference avec M. Claude	..	..	..	First Edition	1682
Traité de la Communion	..	..	..	..	1682
Lettre de M. l'Eveque de Condom	..	..	..	..	1682
Oraison Funèbre de Marie de Terese de France	..	..	..	..	1683
Oraison Funèbre . . . Anne de Gonzague	..	..	..	..	1685
Oraison Funèbre . . . Michel le Tellier	..	..	..	..	1686
Exposition de la Doctrine de l'Eglise	..	..	..	Sixth Edition	1686
. A valuable Edition with additional matter.					
Oraison Funèbre . . . Prince Louis de Bourbon	First Edition	1687
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L'Apocalypse	1689
Prières Ecclesiastiques	1689
Premier Avertissement	1689-91
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Troisième	
Quatrième	
Cinquième	
Sixième	1690
Lettre de l'Abbé de Cordernay	
Lettre de M***	..	..	..	..	1691
Pieces et Memoire touchant l'Abbaye de Jouarre	..	..	..	..
Defense de L'Histoire Universelle	..	..	..	..	1691
Libris Salomonis	..	..	..	..	1693
Maximes et Reflexions sur la Comédie	1694
Reponse de M. l'Archeveque de Cambray (<i>by Fenelon</i>)	1698
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Instructions sur la Version de Nouveau Testament	1702
Explication de la Prophetie d'Isaie	1704
Politique Tirée de Propres Paroles	1709
Elevations à Dieu, 2 vols.	1727
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Traitez du Libre-Arbitre	First issue—First Edition	1731
				Second issue—First Edition	1731
Seconde Instruction Pastorale	..	..	..	First Edition	1734
Traité de l'Amour de Dieu	..	..	..	..	1736

De la Connoissance de Dieu	1741
Defensio Declarationis Conventus, 2 vols.	1745
Lettres Spirituelles	1746
Meditations sur la Remission des Peches	1750
Oraison Funèbre de Messire Jacques Benigne Bossuet Evesque de Meaux	1704

* * These volumes are all in fine condition. They are either in their Original or else in excellent modern bindings. The volume of *Avertissements* was bound for the Grand Dauphin.

£800

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BOTTONNI.

Albertini Bottonni Nobilis Patavini Philosophi ac Medici, Theoricam Ordinariam in Academia Patavina Interpretantis. De Morbis Muliebribus.

4to. *Patavii apud P. Meietum, 1585.*

* * This copy, printed on *large and thick paper*, was elaborately bound for presentation to RUDOLPH II, son of Maximilian II, who became Emperor of Germany in 1576. *Examples of his library are of excessive rarity.*

The binding is of red morocco, elaborately tooled, the whole side being covered with curved sprays of foliage springing from the centre and worked into an elaborate pattern. Some of the enclosed spaces have a dotted background. In other blank spaces gilt roundels have been stamped. *In the centre of the front cover are the letters RO.I.M.II.* for Rodolphus Imperator II. The whole design is enclosed in a frame made by an ornamental fillet within a double gilt line, whose effect is heightened by the use of additional blind tooled lines. The back has raised bands with a small gilt ornament in each panel. The edges are gilt. The larger leaf tools used on this binding are gracefully designed, and some are azured.

£60

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BOURDICHON (JEAN).

Two large and very finely painted Miniatures (12 in. square), representing "The Last Supper" and "Pentecost."

Folio. *Blue morocco. Sæc. XV.*

These two large and most remarkable miniatures are superb examples of the French School of Illuminators of the fifteenth century, and are most probably from the brush of Jean Bourdichon. They represent two large initial S's, within which the figures are grouped. They are surrounded by rich borders in compartments of natural flowers and floreate scrolls, amongst which are interspersed the fleur-de-lis of Louis XII and the ermines of Anne of Brittany, some having the crowned monogram A. and L. On the one with the Pentecostal design occurs the Porcupine of Louis XII surmounted by the Royal

Aims of France. *These two splendid paintings were probably commissioned by Louis XII and his Queen. They are very similar to the ornaments and miniatures found in the "Grandes Heures de la Reine Anne de Bretagne."*

£250

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BOZE (CLAUDE GROS DE).

Monnoies des Prelats et Barons de France. Rassemblées par R. de Boze (1752).

Illustrated with forty-five beautiful plates containing on each a number of finely engraved French Coins. Bound by Roger Payne in crimson morocco, the back being inlaid with green morocco, richly tooled sides, having the arms of Dr. Ducarel impressed on the sides.

* * ONE OF THE THREE COPIES WHICH WERE PRINTED. The present volume was splendidly bound by Roger Payne for Dr. Ducarel in crimson morocco. Round the sides runs an elaborate gilt frame of formal floral work, while in the centre is a large diamond-shaped ornament. The panels of the back, alternately red and green, are ornamented with a shield between other ornaments. The boards are lined with marbled paper, and the edges of the leaves gilt. In the centre of each side is a shield with the Ducarel arms "Argent, three losenges gules," surmounted by the crest, "A cock gules." This crest is also in each panel of the back.

On the fly-leaf is the following note written by Dr. Ducarel and dated 1755: "This collection of French coins was presented to me by Monsieur Claude Gros de Boze, Keeper of the French King's coins and medals in 1752, and there are *but three complete copies of them extant in Europe*, viz., one which M. de Boze kept for himself, one which he gave to the late Dr. Mead, sold at his auction to Dr. Andrew Gifford, F.S.A., and this—see M. de Boze's letters found in this book, which belong to me. Andrew Goltes Ducarel, LL.D., of Doctor's Commons. Oct. 9, 1755."

£84

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BOZE (CLAUDE GROS DE).

Histoire de l'Académie Royale des inscriptions et belles-lettres, depuis son Etablissement jusqu'à présent. Avec les Mémoires de Littérature tirez des Registres de cette Académie, depuis son Renouvellement jusqu'en M. DCCX.

Frontispiece after Coypel by Simonneau, Vignettes on title by B. Audran and plates by Ertinger.

2 vols. 4to. Imprimerie Royale, Paris, 1717.

* * This "painted" binding is a very remarkable and ornamental piece of early eighteenth-century work AND UNIQUE OF ITS KIND.

It was probably decorated by COYPEL for presentation to Louis XV. With the exception of the lettering on the back and a narrow ornamental fillet on the edge and inner margin of the covers, there is no tooling whatever on the binding, and the whole ornament has been executed with a brush on the smooth red morocco with which the book is covered. In the centre of the covers is a face surrounded by rays, typical of the sun, enclosed in an elaborate wreath of palm branches and flowers tied with ribbons. The very elaborate border round the sides has in the upper portion a trellis on which are baskets of flowers, while floral sprays are entwined round it. In either corner on each side is the caduceus of Mercury with the twin snakes and wings, typical of eloquence and office. In the lower left-hand corner is a harp for poetry and a sphere for universal knowledge, and between them a lighted urn, the perpetual flame of wisdom.

The remainder of the border is filled with elaborately curved formal designs of foliage and strapwork hung with tassels and flowers. The panels of the back are also painted with formal patterns of foliage or scrollwork, while the upper one is filled with a laurel wreath, the crown of the Academy.

The decoration is evidently the work of a very skilful Artist. It is carried out mainly in gold, here and there lightened by touches of silver. The gold used is of excellent quality, and must have been worked with fine size to give it depth and consistency. To relieve the monotony of the plain gold and to heighten its effect, a very ingenious device has been adopted of filling many of the spaces between gilt lines with a mixture of minute pieces of gold and silver foil, which gives a wonderfully sparkling effect and brilliancy to the design.

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* * * Unpublished.

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 18. WOOLNER (THOMAS, R.A.). HOLOGRAPH LETTER, SIGNED. 1 page, 8vo. Welbeck Street, 6 March, 1870. To F. Anderson. Informing him that Carlyle wants a woodcut of the mask of Cromwell from the original in his (Woolner's) possession.
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Lowndes had evidently never seen a copy of the First Edition, as he states it to be a woodcut portrait.

This copy has the leaf of Supplement to the English Index so often wanting.

During the last 35 years, although some more or less imperfect copies have been sold, only two that could be called in any sense perfect seem to be recorded, and when perfect there are few rarer Elizabethan volumes.

£120

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GLUCK (CHRISTOPH).

HOLOGRAPH LETTER, SIGNED.

3 pages. Large folio. Vienna, 31 December, 1769.

* * * This is a Gluck manuscript rather than a letter. It contains no less than 454 words, and is relative to Handel.

Addressed by Gluck "An Ihrö Durchlaucht dem Fürsten von Kaunitz (P.T.) Untertänigstes Bitten von mir innenbenanten."

"Gluck hatte den grössten Teil seines Vermögens zu einer Societät mit dem Obristleutnant Afflisio für dessen 'Teatral Impresa' verwandt und war auf dem Punkte, durch ungünstige Umstände alles zu verlieren. Die ausführliche Darlegung dieser Verhältnisse sowie Bitte um Abhülfe bilden den Inhalt dieses Schreibens.—Gluck's Briefe gehören bekanntlich zu den allergrössten Seltenheiten. Ein Brief von dem Umfange und der prächtigen äusseren Erhaltung des vorliegenden dürfte aber überhaupt im HANDEL noch nicht vorgekommen sein."—*Meyer-Cohn Catalogue*.

THIS IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT LETTER OF GLUCK'S IN EXISTENCE.

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GRESHAM (SIR THOMAS). *Founder of the Royal Exchange.*

A REMARKABLE COLLECTION OF FIVE LETTERS, SIGNED, and a DOCUMENT SIGNED by him. Together with a HOLOGRAPH LETTER, SIGNED, of Thomas Gresham *the younger*. *These important letters are addressed to Sir Nathaniel Bacon, the brother of the famous Sir Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, and Sir Thomas Gresham's son-in-law. They date from 1574 to 1579.*

These seven letters are illustrated by six portraits, including a brilliant proof after Sir Anthony More of Gresham; the whole being inlaid to a uniform size and forming a handsome folio volume bound in brown morocco extra.

* * * Sir Thomas Gresham, the famous merchant-banker, was the son of Sir Richard Gresham, Lord Mayor of London. He first attained fame as a financier by negotiating certain loans for Edward VI in 1551. Subsequently he was employed on several occasions by Elizabeth, who found him exceedingly useful in obtaining money from foreign merchants, and also in raising loans from merchants in England. In 1566 he founded the Royal Exchange, which was opened by the Queen in person (1570). When Gresham first entered the banking business Antwerp was the commercial centre of the world: when he died the supremacy had been transferred to London.

This is the sole Gresham correspondence known to us.

£315

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HARIOT'S VIRGINIA.

ADMIRANDA NARRATIO Fida tamen, de Commodis et Incolarum ritibus Virginiae, nuper admodum ab Anglis, qui a Dn. Richardo Greinvile, equestris ordinis viro eo in Coloniam anno M.D. LXXXV. deducti sunt inventae, sumtus faciente Dn. Waltero Raleigh equestris ordinis viro Fodinaru stanni praefecto ex auctoritate serenissimae Reginae Angliae.

Anglico scripta sermone a Thoma Hariot, eiusdem Walteri domestico, in eam Coloniam misso ut Regionis situm diligenter observaret. Nunc autem primum latio donata à C.C.A. Cum gratia & privilegio Caes Maiest. ad quadriennium.

Beautiful impressions of the finely engraved border to title and 28 fine large engravings and map by De Bry and G. Veen.

Small folio. *J. Wechel for Theodore de Bry, Frankfort, 1590.*

* * This superb copy of Hariot's Virginia is of special interest as having belonged to JOHN WHITGIFT, ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY. It is bound in plain dark calf with a single gilt line running round the edge of the covers, and a plain back. In the centre of each side is the Archbishop's armorial device. The arms are "Azure, an episcopal staff in pale or ensigned with a cross pattée argent, surmounted of a pall of the last charged with four crosses formées fitchées sable, edged and fringed or (See of Canterbury). Impaling, Argent on a cross flory sable five bezants (Whitgift)." The charge is on a plain shield enclosed in a Jacobean frame. Whitgift, who was Archbishop of Canterbury from 1583 to 1604.

NO OTHER EXAMPLE OF ARCHBISHOP WHITGIFT'S LIBRARY HAS OCCURRED FOR SALE FOR VERY MANY YEARS.

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HARVEY (JOHN).

A discursive probleme concerning Prophetesies. How far they are to be valued, or credited, according to the surest rules, and directions in Divinitie, Philosophie, Astrologie, and other learning.

4to. *John Jackson for Richard Watkins, London, 1588.*

* * The present copy (bound in dark brown calf about 1625) belonged to EDWARD GWYNN, and has his name printed in capital letters in gold on the upper cover and his initials on the lower. This Gwynne appears to have been a notable collector during the first half of the seventeenth century, and to have possessed a library in which were many rare English books. Among other books he owned the interesting volume of Shakespeare quartos, now belonging to Mr. H. C. Folger.

This very rare book is referred to by Dr. Furness in his edition of *King Lear*. £65

HENAULT (LE PRESIDENT).

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HENRY VII.

HIS ROYAL SIGN MANUAL TO THE ORIGINAL ORDER for the payment of 40 shillings unto William Tolle for "syngyng brede, tukkyng gyrdyll and frankyncens spent in o^r (our) Chapel" for the "two yeres now passed." *On vellum. Dated Greenwyche (Greenwich) 4th Apryll The 13th yere of o^r (our) Reigne (1498).* Addressed to "Sir Robert Litton keper of our great Wardrobe."

* * The phrases in this important (Ecclesiastical) Tudor document may be thus explained :—

1. "Syngyng brede" is the Sacramental wafer. This is a common mediæval term.
2. "Tukkyng gyrdyll" would be a girdle for putting round the alb to keep it from being in the way when celebrating Mass.
3. "Frankyncens" is, of course, incense.

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HENRY VIII.

LIBELLO HUIC REGIO HAEC INSUNT. Oratio Ioannes Clerk apud Ro. Pon. in exhibitione operis regii. Responsio roman pont. ad eandem ex tempore facta. Bulla ro. pon. ad regiam maiestatem pro eius operis confirmatione. Summa indulgetiaru, libellum ipsum regium legentibus, concessarum. Libellus regius aduersus Martinum Lutherum haeresiarchon. Epistola regia ad illustrissimos Saxoniae duces pie admonitoria.

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* * A superb copy of the First Edition of Henry VIII's famous attack on Luther. It contains the very rare "Oratio" and the "Epistola" found in but very few copies of this 1521 issue, which was printed by Pynson. It also contains the leaf of Errata which is generally missing. Copies of the First Edition with these Supplements are extremely rare, and all the five Vellum-printed and the other known Presentation copies are without them.

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HENRY VIII.

HIS ROYAL SIGN MANUAL TO A STATE PAPER. 1 page, oblong folio. Dated "*at oure Palace of Westminster 12th day of May the XXXVIIIth yeare of oure reigne*" (1545).

This is the King's original order for the taking down of "all suche stone of all kynde, tymber, leade, iron, glasse, marble and all lyke things being nowe in or uppon the Chappell floor, Steple and porch or apperteynyng to the late hous of Saint Jhones of Jerusalem . . . nowe desolved." All of which this material is to be used for repairs at the Palace of Westminster.

* * Of great importance to the Church of England historian, relating as it does to the *suppression of the Monasteries and Religious Houses by Henry VIII.*

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74

HOMER.

His Iliads Translated, Adorn'd with Sculpture and Illustrated with Annotations, by John Ogilby.

Folio. *Thomas Roycroft for the author, London, 1660.*

* * This copy was probably bound specially for Ogilby, to be delivered as a prize in his famous lotteries. It is bound in fine red morocco. Round the edge of the sides runs a two-line gilt filet, and the side is divided into a double panel by the gilt frames one within the other, about two inches apart, both formed by an ornamental gilt roll with gilt fleurons at the corners. The back is fully gilt with small tools.

Pepys in his diary (19 February, 1666) writes: "Thence to the Change, and from my stationer's thereabouts carried home by coach two books of Ogilby's, his *Æsop* and *Coronation*, which fell to my lot at his lottery. Cost me £4 besides the binding." The frontispiece of this copy is a finely engraved portrait of Ogilby by P. Lombart after a painting by Lely.

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* * * This beautiful little Manuscript, written in the reign of Edward IV, consists of 146 leaves. Leaf 1, containing a picture, is a single leaf, then follows six quires of eight leaves, and one of six leaves with an extra leaf inserted, making fifty-five leaves. This portion contains the Horae B.V.M. Then follows thirty-two leaves which contain miscellaneous supplementary prayers and devotions. The final part consists of fifty-two leaves containing the Penitential Psalms, the Litany of the Saints, and Office of the Dead.

After the Horae proper comes the "Exercicium anime speculum vite," then follows "Orationes legende ante ymaginem armorum Christi." The next thirty pages contain a long Invocation of prayer, with the curious rubricated heading "Fasciculus mirre inter ubera." This is taken from verse 13 of the first chapter of the Song of Solomon, "Est amicus meus mihi ut fasciculus myrrhinus inter uber mea pernoctaus." The remainder of the book follows the normal course.

The date of the Manuscript would appear to be about 1460-80. The Illumination at the beginning shows the Virgin in a blue robe seated on a red throne with a canopy, and holding out the Infant Christ, who holds out one hand towards St. Bernard, who kneels facing Him and clothed in a white robe. In the border to the picture are scattered flowers and a butterfly on a yellow ground. The first page of the Horae is surrounded by a border in colours, and there are numerous decorative initials.

The volume was originally in a contemporary stamped leather binding, and the panels have been preserved in the present one. Each panel was divided by a horizontal line into two parts, which contain spirals of foliage and fruit, with birds and animals in the curves. Round this runs the legend, intersected by a quatrefoil: "Sis animo leto si tempore vivere longo, expetis ac benefac si lete vivere queris." *This panel was unknown to Weale.*

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Incipit Tractatus de mistica Theologia seu contemplacone Speculatine et practice editiisa reverendo patre dnō dnō Johanne de Gersonns.

Manuscript on Vellum. Small folio. *Bound in vellum, Amiens, Saec. XIV.*

* * * MANUSCRIPTS WRITTEN AT AMIENS IN THE REIGN OF CHARLES V ARE OF THE FIRST RARITY.

At the end of the Manuscript is the short *colophon*: "Et pertinet ad monasterium venerabile fratrum celestinorum Beati Anthonii de Ambianis. Scriptus per manum fratris Victoris herdine in ordine predicti professi." There is an early inscription at the foot of the last blank page. "Iste liber est Celestinorum de Ambianis. Jhesus maria Joseph Hohannes magdalena."

This Manuscript covers 86 pages of vellum. It is made up in four quires, the first of ten leaves, the second of twelve with an extra one at the end, making thirteen, the third of eight with an extra one at the beginning, making nine, and the last of ten leaves, the final one being blank.

Jean Charlier, the celebrated theologian, better known under the name of Gerson, was born of humble parents in the village of Gerson in the Ardennes in 1363. After a long course of study, and on account of his high attainments, he was elected in 1395 Chancellor of the University of Paris. This was a time when great attempts were being made to reform the Church, and at the Councils of Pisa in 1409 and Constance in 1414, Gerson, aided by Hallam, Bishop of Salisbury, and backed by the Emperor Sigismund and the Germans, gave to it the whole weight of his intellectual and personal ascendancy. His influence in the Universities was directed towards the substitution of a more modern for the old scholastic School of Theology, and to elevate the lives of the Clergy. For some time he was forced by the enmity of the Duke of Burgundy to seek a refuge in the Tyrol, but in 1419 he returned to France, where he entered a Monastery at Lyons, passing the remainder of his life in teaching and writing. He died in 1429.

The Celestins or Moronites were an Order founded in 1254 by Pietro Morono, who became Pope under the name of Celestinus V. They followed the Benedictine rule.

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This saintly Prelate was one of the "Seven Bishops" who refused to take the oath to William and Mary. He was deprived as a non-juror, and was the Author of the famous "Morning" and "Evening" hymns.

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Ken and Lloyd were the only remaining deprived Bishops living at the time of this Correspondence.

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There are continual references to his very famous portrait of Miss Croker. It is interesting to quote "The Croker Papers" in regard to this famous portrait:—

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* * * This remarkable EDINBURGH binding is a splendid example of the richest and the most representative style of Scottish work shortly before its decadence and final disappearance. It is of morocco of a light and dull red with a yellowish tinge, and the most striking feature of the decoration is the large circular ornament occupying the greater part of each cover. This wheel-like design is built up with a series of small tools filling up the spaces between the rays which spread from the centre until they are terminated with semicircular gouges. From the upper and lower part of the wheel stiff sprays extend to the corners and the centre of the upper and lower edges. These sprays have perfectly straight central branches from which extend curved scrolls of leaves and flowers with small birds amongst them. The sides are edged with formal gilt rolls, while the remaining spaces are scattered with single tools of flowers, rosettes, stars, spangles, etc., and the background covered with minute gold dots. The back is fully gilt, and each panel contains the usual saltire between tools.

On the first leaf is the autograph of John Lee, M.D., afterwards principal of Edinburgh University. He was a famous book collector, and is satirized in Hill Burton's "Book-hunter" under the name of Archdeacon Meadow. He was especially interested in Bibles, and wrote a history of Bible printing in Scotland.

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8vo. *For Paolo Balleoni, Venice, 1676.*

* * * Splendidly bound for GRIMALDI, PRINCE OF MONACO.

This choice Service-book is in a Venetian binding of red morocco. The sides are ornamented with an elaborate geometrical design in plain strapwork carried out with a double-line fillet, stopped with a gold dot at every corner. All the intervening spaces, except the centre panel, are covered with gold tooling, some covered with gold dots, others with a diaper of cross-lines with stars in the interstices, others with a scaled effect produced by a succession of overlapping small semicircular tools. The whole is enclosed with a framework of two narrow ornamental fillets. In the centre of each cover is a shield with the GRIMALDI ARMS, "Fusily argent and gules." They are here surrounded by a bordure which is not heraldically correct, but it may be a mark of difference or cadency for which a bordure was sometimes used in foreign heraldry, or merely an ornamental addition. Above

the shield is a coronet supported by angels, and from them depends a wreath of laurel sprays surrounding the shield. At the top and bottom of the covers in a space left in the strapwork is a monogram in which the letters "R.M.S.G." are clear, though others are included. In the panels of the back is a repetition of a large stamp of a flaming heart pierced by arrows, the device of the Augustinians.

There is no copy of this edition in the British Museum.

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107

PAPACY (THE). From INNOCENT IV (1243) to PIUS X.

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* * This most wonderful Collection embraces a period of no less than 764 years of the World's history. It commences with the remarkably early document, dated 1250, signed with the *rola* and *benevalete* of Pope Innocent IV, who occupied the Pontifical Throne from 28 June 1243 till 7 December 1254. This precious document is also signed by Nicholas III as Cardinal; he became Pope in 1277.

The Collection (which is fully catalogued) terminates with the Autograph of Pius X.

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PETRARCHA (IL).

Con l' Espositione d' Alessandro Vellutello, di novo Ristampato con le figure ai Triomphi, et con piu cose utili in varii Luoghi Aggiunte. *Woodcut title-page and wood-engravings (in the Triumphs).*

Gabriel Giolito, Venice, 1547.

* * * Very special interest attaches to this copy, for it contains the autograph and some manuscript notes of JEAN ANTOINE DE BAIF, THE POET.

The present Edition, carefully revised and corrected, is considered the best of all. It is beautifully and clearly printed in italic type, and contains a few delicate woodcuts, including the memorial urn, with portraits of Petrarch and Laura.

This copy is bound in olive morocco with the sides left plain except for a three-line gilt fillet running round the edge. The back is fully gilt, with a stamp of an oak spray in each panel. The edges are marbled under the gold. Inside the cover is a leather book-plate of Robert Samuel Turner, a very fastidious collector, whose mark of ownership is a certain guarantee of rarity and fine condition.

£50

PIGHIUS (ALBERTUS).

Controversiarum explicatio.

4to. *Haerdes Lucae Antonii Juntae, Venice, 1541.*

* * BOUND FOR HENRI II.

The bindings made for Henry II of France may be divided into three classes : those which bear his mark of ownership alone, those which bear the ciphers of himself and his queen, Catharine de Medicis ; and, lastly, the beautiful series carrying, besides the marks or Royal ownership, the emblems and ciphers of his mistress, Diana of Poitiers, Duchess of Valentinois. The present binding belongs to the first class. It is of plain brown calf, and the sides are without tooling save for a single-line gilt fillet with a three-line blind tooled fillet outside it which runs round the extreme edge of the covers. The back, with heavy raised bands, has a small gilt leaf ornament stamped in the centre of each panel. In the centre of each cover is an oval cameo medallion impressed in gold with a side-face bust portrait of the king between two crowned H's, and within a frame containing branches of laurel. BINDINGS WITH THIS STAMP ARE VERY RARE.

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With the Holograph Receipt, Signed, of Antonio Pollajuolo appended.
Dated *St. Peter's* 1 July 1487.

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(Translation.)

"Raphael de San Giorgio, deacon, Cardinal Chamberlain of the Lord Pope.

"To the Reverend Fathers in Christ, Domini John Mimento Denigris, Prothonotary of the Apostolic See, Vice chamberlain of our Sovereign Lord the Pope, and Antonio de Forlinio, clerk of the Apostolic Camara, Greeting in the Lord: By the tenor of these presents we charge and command you that you pay to Master Antonio (Pollajuolo) of Florence, sculptor, xxv ducats of the Camara for his stipend for the month of June last past, for work upon the tomb of our most High Pope, which we will allow in our accounts.

Given at St. Peter's under the impression of our seal, the first day of the month of July 1847, and of the Pontificate of our most holy Lord Pope Innocent VIII, the third year,

"J. DE PONTECURVO."

"I Antonio d'Jachopo d'Antonio, goldsmith, de Pollaiuolo, have received xxv ducats."

THERE IS NO AUTOGRAPH WHATEVER OF POLLAJUOLO IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

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PSALTERIUM CISTERCIENSE.

8vo. *Apud Cieras, Venice, 1621.*

* * The Binding is a beautiful example of VENETIAN work. The centre panel is filled with an elaborate geometrical design having an oval centrepiece which, on the obverse side, is filled with a Crucifixion, on the reverse side with a figure of St. Bernard. The spaces between the geometrical strapwork are filled with gold tooling, spirals, stars, and the small undulating rays which so often occur on Venetian work. A framework of rich tooling encloses the central panel, the whole sides and the back being covered with gold. The edges of the leaves are gilt and elaborately tooled.

The book is printed in red and black. The title is enclosed in an engraved border having at the top three ovals containing figures of St. Benedict, the founder of the Benedictines; St. Robertus, the founder of the Cistercians; and St. Bernard, the restorer of the Order. At the base, between cherubs, is a picture of Europa on her bull, the sign of the printers, the Cierae. Before the Psalter is a full-page woodcut of David with a violin in place of a harp, and before the second portion one of the Annunciation.

This Psalter appears to be excessively rare; there is no copy in the British Museum.

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114

THE PSALTER OR PSALMS OF DAVID.

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* * The Binding is a beautiful specimen of STUART EMBROIDERY. From their very fragile nature these embroidered bindings of the Stuart period are not often found in good repair. The design on the sides represents a tree from which spring various flowers and leaves which are worked in coloured silks, and the whole of the background is covered with silver thread. The back is divided into five panels, each containing a flower. The edges are gilt and tooled. The book is worked on canvas, and, while the flowers and leaves are closely worked, the silver thread, which is made of thin flat metal wire twisted round a thread of silk, is worked in a longer stitch, as the material would not allow of close working.

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Dated Rome, 1 November 1514.

2. RAPHAEL. HOLOGRAPH DOCUMENT BY VALERIO PORCARI appointing Pietro Bembo, Antonio Maria Daynerio, and Antonio da San Marino arbitrators of the amount due by him and his brothers to RAPHAEL, the sum to be levied on the rent of a house to be let by him to Raphael.

Dated 23 May 1516.

3. BRAMANTE D'URBINO. ORDER ON BEHALF OF POPE JULIUS II for payment of 20 ducats to Bramante, his salary as architect of St. Peter's. With HOLOGRAPH RECEIPT, SIGNED, BY BRAMANTE.

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Of excessive rarity.

There is no autograph of this painter, the illustrious uncle of Raphael and the architect of St. Peter's, in the British Museum.

4. CLEMENT VII. *Patron of Raphael.* Letter to the officials of the celebrated Bank of St. George of Genoa.

Dated Florence, 22 February 1522 (1523).

5. LEO X AND CARDINAL BEMBO. Letter to Maria Maximilian, Duke of Milan, bestowing certain Ecclesiastical benefices within his dominions upon Silvio Passerino (afterwards Cardinal).

With autograph of Pietro Bembo (afterwards Cardinal).

Dated Rome, St. Peter's, 4 November 1513.

* * Leo X was Raphael's second patron, and Cardinal Bembo wrote the famous Epitaph for Raphael's tomb.

6. VASARI. HOLOGRAPH LETTER, SIGNED. From Giorgio Vasari to Giovanni Caccini.

Dated Florence, 25 December 1563.

* * Vasari was Raphael's biographer.

THIS LETTER from Vasari to Giovanni Caccini is printed in Vasari Opere, vol. 8, p. 371, Gaetano Milanesi's edition, 1882, but several quite legible words are omitted.

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* * * The extremely important UNPUBLISHED Letters cover 246 pages 8vo, and were written between 1870 and 1881.

It should be remembered that in 1870 the Poet was residing at Cheyne Walk with his close friends—Swinburne and George Meredith.

The Correspondence is principally relative to the publication of the First Editions of his "Poems" issued in 1870, and his "Ballads and Sonnets" issued in 1881. The Letters are indicative of the great care which Rossetti expended on the printing and publication of his "Poems"—on Proofs, Cancels, Emendations, Revisions, and Reprinted Sheets, and on numerous other minute details, such as the particular shade of blue for the familiar binding of his "Poems." Many of the Letters are of great Literary interest, particularly those referring to the adverse criticism and "bestial" articles to which Rossetti—in common with other contemporary Poets—proved to be so highly sensitive. The allusions to Buchanan include a draft of "The Stealthy School of Criticism," which appeared in

the *Athenæum* as a reply to Buchanan's "Fleshly School of Poetry," and a nonsense-verse directed against Buchanan. There are also references to "William Morris and Watts-Dunton," and to "poor dear little Swinburne," including an amusing comment presumably on one of Swinburne's Poems, "After all, what is to be done when (to utilize an old saying) 'Poeta nascitur non fit for publication'?" The Letters from Christina Rossetti refer to her "Nursery Rhymes," "Sing Song," etc., and date between 1870 and 1893.

The whole Collection is mounted in a delightful Album of russia leather decorated with a charming mosaic of white tulips and green leaves having the letters "D.G.R. F.S.E." stamped in the centre. It is uniform with the Ruskin Album. (See *post*, 121.)

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5. PHILIP IV, KING OF SPAIN. *Patron of Rubens.* ORDER to the Marques de Castelrodrido to appoint the Baron de Escelevecq to an Office for which he has petitioned, or to some other Office befitting his deserts and services.

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120

RUSKIN.

AN IMPORTANT SERIES OF 80 HOLOGRAPH LETTERS, SIGNED, covering 120 pages 8vo and 4to.

* * This remarkable Collection comprises Ruskin's Correspondences with (1) his friend Ralph Nicholson Wornum, the Art critic and Keeper of the National Gallery, consisting of 34 letters; (2) 45 letters to his printer—Henry Jowett; (3) A letter to Arthur Browning, relative to a Tennysonian photograph. *Inlaid to Royal 4to size and bound in brown morocco extra.*

Many of the letters in this Collection are the finest of Ruskin's that we have seen.

The letters to Wornum, dating from 1858 to 1873, are most interesting, and depict Ruskin as the Champion of Turner. They refer, principally, TO THE PICTURES AND DRAWINGS OF TURNER WHICH THAT ARTIST LEFT TO THE NATION. Ruskin was one of the executors to Turner's will, and through legal and technical barriers was unable to arrange the drawings into any order for Exhibition until 1856, when they were found to be mildewed and mouse-bitten.

Other letters deal with Wornum's "Life of Holbein," "Epochs of Painting," "Saul," Swedenborg, Christianity, etc., etc.

The letters to Henry Jowett (Ruskin's printer) are highly important. They illustrate the great care (as regards style and general get-up) which Ruskin insisted should be used when printing his books, although printer's proofs were always a trial to him. There are, consequently, unusually interesting references to "Fors Clavigera," "Praeterita," "Proserpina," "St. Mark's Rest," "Roadside Songs of Tuscany," "Ulric," "The Laws of Fesole," etc., etc.

In the letters to Wornum, in which Ruskin refers to Turner's drawings and the identification of that eminent Artist's sketches of Venice, the great writer desires "to look at some of the parcels of Turner, to be sure no damp has got to them" before going abroad.

£185

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RUSKIN.

THE MOST INTERESTING SERIES OF 37 HOLOGRAPH LETTERS, SIGNED, addressed to his intimate friend and publisher, F. S. Ellis. Covering 66 *pages*, 8vo, and written between 17 *Feb.* 1870 and 18 *Jan.* 1886. They are addressed from Denmark Hill, Brantwood, and Coniston.

* * These very important UNPUBLISHED letters are chiefly concerned with Ruskin's purchases of Manuscripts, rare Books and Drawings, in which connexion there are many interesting references to his favourite Authors. For instance, on receipt of a copy of More's "Utopia" he writes, "What an infinitely wise—infinately foolish book it is," while his keen admiration for Scott is revealed in several letters—"I've been speechless with indignation since you let go that * 'Guy Mannering' MS." Again: "... I'd rather have lost a catch at Cricket than that 'St. Ronans'—do PLEASE get it anyhow for me at once," or when he commends Ellis for his discretion in bidding in the saleroom, whilst urging him to secure any Scott MSS.—"... Go calmly but unflinchingly in next time." Some letters are of a more personal character, the final one (endorsed by Ellis, "The last note I ever had from my dear friend") containing some pathetic lines on his own infirmities, "but this sweet sunlight on the mere cheers me . . . I am recovering very slowly from the depression of this last illness and can only say that I am ashamed of having been sad."

The Correspondence is mounted in a delightful Album of russia leather with a central mosaic of white tulips and green leaves, and the letters "J.R., F.S.E." It is uniform with the Rossetti Album. (See *ante*, 117.)

* Now in the J. P. Morgan Library.

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SAND (GEORGE).

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* * THIS FAMOUS NOVEL WAS FIRST PUBLISHED IN 1853.

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SCHUBERT (FRANZ).

HOLOGRAPH LETTER (SIGNED).

1 page, folio. Vienna, 1816.

*** THIS MAGNIFICENT LETTER WAS ONE OF HERR MEYER-COHN'S MOST TREASURED POSSESSIONS. Schubert's letters are of the greatest rarity. *The present is the finest that has occurred for sale in Great Britain.*

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£200

124

SETTLE (ELKANAH).

A Pindaric Poem on the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts—A Work of Piety so Zealously Recommended and Promoted by Her Most Gracious Majesty.

Folio. London, 1711.

*** EXTREMELY RARE. There was no copy in the Church Collection, and the book appears to be totally unknown to all bibliographers.

It contains references to the North American Indians.

The arms on the present binding, which is of calf, are those of the widow of Sir Edward Smyth, of Hill Hall, Essex. "Sable, a fers dancetty argent billetty (here wrongly given ermine) between three lioncels rampant guardant of the second each supporting an altar or flaming proper (Smyth). Impaling the wife's arms quarterly—1 and 4: Or three dolphins salient azure (Vandeput); 2 and 3 Vert: three pine-apples or (Jaupine).

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interrupted with curves and centres of the four sides. In the centre is a stamp of the Royal Arms within the Garter, surmounted by the Royal Crown and the initials "G. III R." Above and below are the inscriptions "Theatre Royal, Drury Lane," and "Vivant Rex et Regina." The back is flat with gilt bands, and in each panel is a stamp of a lyre within a circular frame. The boards are lined with marbled paper, and there is a hinge of dark blue morocco. On the inside board is a book-plate of red paper with the Royal arms stamped in gold.

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126

SHELLEY.

HOLOGRAPH LETTER, SIGNED, 4 pages, 4to (*Pisa*, 1820), to "Clare" Clairmont. A very extraordinary letter referring to Lord Byron.

"... I could not refuse Lord Byron's challenge; though that however to be deprecated would be the least in the series of mischiefs consequent upon my intervention in such a plan. I say this because I am shocked at the thoughtless violence of your designs, and I wish to put my sense of their madness in the strongest light, ..." etc.

TOGETHER WITH

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Svo. *Daniel a Gaesbeeck, Leyden, 1676.*

* * The charming MOSAIC binding is of red morocco richly gilt. Each cover is edged with a framework made with an ornamental roll, within plain and dotted fillets. In the centre is a diamond-shaped mass of gilt work built up with various fine dotted tools of curves, leaves, and spirals worked round a small centre-piece. The space above and below and in the corners of the framework is also ornamented with similar tools. The back is fully gilt, with a large rosette in each panel. The edges of the leaves are gilt. The rich effect of the binding has been much enhanced by a judicious use of coloured enamel. The centre-piece has been coloured black, and the interior of the leaves on the sprays and of the small circular tools is filled in either in silver or black. The petals of the rosettes on the back are stained black and silver alternately.

There is no copy of this book in the Bodleian Library.

£63

128

STOOP (THIERRY).

The Solemnity of the Earl of Sandwich's Embassy to Lisbon to Conduct Queen Catherine to England, with her Reception, and the King's Procession on the River from Hampton Court to Whitehall.

Oblong Folio. 1661-2.

* * The volume is bound in red morocco. The sides are edged with a three-line gilt fillet; and two frames, one within the other, formed from the same fillet, and ornamented at the corners with gilt flowers, contain the centre panel. This has in the middle a large-sized diamond-shaped centre-piece, built up with small tools. The back is fully gilt. It is a typical STUART binding.

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7. The Triumphall Entertainment of ye King and Queenes Matie by ye Right Hon^{ble} ye Lord Maior and Cittizens of London, at their comming from Hampton Court to Whitehall (on ye River of Thames) Aug: ye 23 1662.

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TEN COMMANDMENTS (THE).

Here begyneth the ten cōmaūdementis of God ye which euery man mote kepe if he wulle com to blysse. . (*On page 7*). Here bene ye seuene dedly synnes þat euery man most flee, if he wolde be saued, for þei ben þe large weie to helle. (*On folio 14*). Ardeat in nobie diuini feruor amoris. This short pistelle þat followeþ is deuyded in sundry maters eche matere by him selfe intitlis as þis-kalendere showiþ, etc. *Manuscript on vellum.*

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From certain forms of spelling, as, for instance, the suffix *lich* for *ly*, as "gostlich and bodelich," the work was almost certainly composed in the South of England. No clue is to be found anywhere to the Author, nor is any other version of it known.

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From the occurrence of the names of "Bautheuch" and Berthille it appears that it was written for the library of the Abbey of Chelle situated in the Isle-de-France, near the Marne. This Abbey was founded by Saint Clothilde, wife of Clovis I, but it owed its importance to Bethilde, the wife of Clovis II, who passed the end of her life there, dying in the year 680. Known also as Bautour, but in the present Manuscript spelt Bautheuch. She was canonized by Nicholas I, and her remains were buried before the high altar in the Abbey of Chelles. Saint Berthille was chosen by Berthilde as the first Abbess of Chelles, which she entered in the year 656, and where she died in the year 702 aged 74 years. In modern days the Abbey became of great importance, the Abbess being always one of the Royal princesses of France. It was suppressed in 1790, and demolished in 1793.

This French Manuscript, written on 161 leaves of Vellum and paper, contains the lives of a number of female Saints—St. Mary the Virgin, St. Mary Magdalen, St. Mary of Egypt, SS. Catherine, Agnes, Agatha, Juliana, Pepetua, Felicity, Domitilla, Petronilla, Columba, Genevieve, Felicity and her seven sons, Christina, Lucy, Euphrasia, Marina, Cecilia, Anastasia, Femele, Margaret, Elizabeth, Pelagie, Bautheuch, Faith, the eleven thousand Virgins, Martha and Bethille. The majority of these Saints appear in the ordinary calendars of Saints. An exception is Domitilla, who was a niece of the Emperor Domitian and the wife of her cousin, Flavius Clemens. In A.D. 96 Domitilla and her husband were accused of "atheism," presumably Christianity, and while he suffered capital punishment she was banished to the island of Pandateria, on the West coast of Italy. No authority makes any mention of her Canonization. The Saint mentioned between Anatasia and Margaret, whose name appears to be Fenicula or Fenicle, is given by no authority under that name, but it may be a curious form of a more common name. She is only briefly mentioned as compared with the others. St. Colombe, not mentioned in the *Dictionary of Christian Biography*, was a Virgin martyr put to death at Sens in the time of Marcus Aurelius. She is considered the earliest martyr of Celtic Gaul, and was held in special veneration at Paris in early times. St. Marina, Virgin martyr of Antioch in Pisidia and St. Pelagia, are interesting Saints, for, together with St. Arethusa of Seleucia, whose life is not given here, they are all asserted by a later Writer to be merely transformations of the Semetic divinity Aphrodite, whose worship was spread by the Phœnicians all over the shores of Asia Minor.

This Manuscript is made up in a peculiar way, though one not very uncommon at the end of the Fourteenth century. Each quire has the inside and outside sheet of vellum, the intervening sheets being of paper. This was done to strengthen the book when bound and to prevent the sewing-thread from cutting through the paper. In most early printed books a strip of vellum was inserted in the centre of each quire for the same purpose. The

handwriting is in the French cursive hand of the reign of Charles VI. Spaces have been left for initials and at the commencement of each "Life," probably for a full chapter heading. At the end of the text appears an initial N and a *paraphe*.

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The biographer of St. Wilfred was Eadmer, Chaplain to Archbishop Anselm and Precentor of Christ Church, Canterbury. He wrote St. Wilfrid's "Life" as one of the Saints of Canterbury, whose remains had been brought there by Odo, and translated, on the restoration of the Cathedral by Lanfranc. Eadmer made use of the Ecclesiastical History of Bede, and the metrical life of Frithegode. Besides the present two other Manuscripts exist in the British Museum and at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

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